

Ski & Snowboard Club Vail Seeks Dee Williams Scholarship Applicants

Ski & Snowboard Club Vail (SSCV) is pleased to announce that it has received a grant from the Dee Williams Fund for use by SSCV to award scholarships to support emerging talent in the sport of freestyle mogul skiing. These scholarship(s) will be awarded in alignment with the spirit and goals of the Dee Williams Fund as described below. Freestyle mogul student athletes may apply to SSCV as outlined below for a Dee Williams Scholarship made possible through the proceeds received by SSCV from the above grant.

Eligibility & Criteria:

- **Passion for Freestyle skiing:** The student athlete should articulate and demonstrate the commitment to the sport of freestyle mogul skiing, and the drive to take their sport to the highest level they are capable of.
- **Financial need:** Dee wanted to help young and aspiring athletes, who like herself, come from limited means. Travel, coaching and equipment costs are often out of reach of these athletes. The Dee Williams Fund wants to support those athletes with a real demonstrated financial need.
- **Good character:** Dee believed that athletes should be supported and coached to be good people who contribute to their community. "As a coach, [Diana] positively impacted more young people in a year than most do in a lifetime." The applicant should demonstrate strong character and commitment to being in service to others.
- **Leadership ability:** Student athletes should bring a positive influence on team culture, their school, and community, with a passion for curiosity and ability to lead by example and attitude.
- **Academic standing:** The student athlete must maintain acceptable academic standing to remain enrolled in their school or program, if applicable.

Application Essay: In your application essay say something about yourself and your goals and aspirations in the sport of freestyle skiing. Please list outstanding results, awards and/or nominations. Describe how you contribute to team culture and the community at large.

Application Recommendation(s): Please provide one or two letters of recommendation to support your scholarship application.

Financial Aid Application: In addition to the above essay and recommendation(s) a financial aid application must be submitted as detailed below.

Step 1

Please go to the SSS [website](#) and click on the prompt to begin your Parents' Financial Statement (PFS). You will create a user name and password, which will allow you to complete the PFS over more than one session. This will give you time to gather the required information for the application. Only one PFS is needed per family regardless of the number of children applying. However, in the case of separated or divorced families, each parent must complete the entire process with SSS. All material submitted to SSS will be secure. A fee is required to submit your Parent Financial Statement to SSS.

Please select SSCV as your designated school of choice. Our school code is: 164499. For families who wish to share their financial information as part of a financial aid application with another institution (for example: a college or private school), you can select other schools at no additional charge.

Step 2

Scan all required financial documents and upload to the SSS website. The required documents include:

- 1.) complete tax returns for the last 2 years (including all schedules)
- 2.) corporate tax returns for business owners (if applicable)
- 3.) W-2s for the most recent year

Scholarship Application and Financial Aid Application Due: July 8, 2021

Scholarship Award(s) Made By: July 28, 2021

About Diana (Dee) Williams (excerpts below from the Dee Williams Fund website)

At the age of 17 Diana (Dee) Williams was named to the US Freestyle Ski Team, but on many occasions her limited financial resources prevented her from traveling with the team to national and international World Cup competitions. Upon retirement as an athlete from the US Ski Team, Diana went from competitor to coach. And in 1988, at the young age of 25, she became director of the Killington Mountain School's Freestyle program. In 1998 she became a US Olympic Team Coach and held the position until she retired from Olympic level coaching in 2002. The Dee Williams Fund was founded after her passing to continue Dee's legacy of excellence and compassion so that other young athletes did not experience the financial limitations that she experienced, no matter what their level of skill. More information on the Dee Williams Fund are available [here](#).